

Arapahoe County, Colorado

BxC—Buick loam, 3 to 5 percent slopes

Map Unit Setting

National map unit symbol: 34y8

Elevation: 4,700 to 6,200 feet

Mean annual precipitation: 14 to 16 inches

Mean annual air temperature: 45 to 46 degrees F

Frost-free period: 150 to 170 days

Farmland classification: Prime farmland if irrigated

Map Unit Composition

Buick and similar soils: 85 percent

Minor components: 15 percent

Estimates are based on observations, descriptions, and transects of the mapunit.

Description of Buick

Setting

Landform: Drainageways, hills

Landform position (two-dimensional): Summit

Landform position (three-dimensional): Head slope

Down-slope shape: Linear

Across-slope shape: Linear

Parent material: Alluvium and/or eolian deposits

Typical profile

H1 - 0 to 6 inches: loam

H2 - 6 to 22 inches: clay loam

H3 - 22 to 60 inches: sandy clay loam, clay loam

H3 - 22 to 60 inches:

Properties and qualities

Slope: 3 to 5 percent

Depth to restrictive feature: More than 80 inches

Natural drainage class: Well drained

Runoff class: Low

Capacity of the most limiting layer to transmit water (Ksat):

Moderately high (0.20 to 0.60 in/hr)

Depth to water table: More than 80 inches

Frequency of flooding: None

Frequency of ponding: None

Calcium carbonate, maximum in profile: 15 percent

Available water storage in profile: Very high (about 16.9 inches)

Interpretive groups

Land capability classification (irrigated): None specified

Land capability classification (nonirrigated): 3c

Hydrologic Soil Group: C

Ecological site: Loamy Foothill (R049BY202CO)

Hydric soil rating: No

Minor Components

Weld

Percent of map unit: 5 percent

Hydric soil rating: No

Colby

Percent of map unit: 5 percent

Hydric soil rating: No

Renohill

Percent of map unit: 5 percent

Hydric soil rating: No

Data Source Information

Soil Survey Area: Arapahoe County, Colorado

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